

STRANGE LANDS AND FRIENDLY PEOPLE. By William O. Douglas. Harper & Bros., New York.

The author is a distinguished American, a justice of the United States Supreme Court — with a Marco Polo turn for distant and difficult travel. But where Marco Polo sought only magnificence and splendor in the East to embellish a fine tale when he got back home to the courts of Europe this American judge went out with a trained and factual mind to discover the whole truth.

Justice Douglas made private tours in the summers of 1949 and 1950, traveling by jeep, horseback, and sometimes on foot, in order to talk personally to the people of Iran (Persia), Syria, Israel, and India — the strategic Arab-Hindu area where the issue between the West and Soviet Russia hangs in the balance.

The judge reminds you of a corporation director who, suspicious of annual management reports and lawyer language, goes out among the company's employees and customers to find the truth and make an independent report. Only this is a report, not on business, but on how our foreign policy stacks up in countries that are close to Russia and her propaganda. And to make that report Justice Douglas went into the very homes of the peoples whose lands he visited.

Of this man you might say, his beginning is life and his conclusion is a book — a plain-spoken, factual critical book. He has harsh words to say about traditional British policy in the Near East, and he specifically sides with Iran against Britain in the current quarrel over oil. But he is equally critical of American foreign policy, which he fears is too busy propping up landlord governments with mere dollars to realize that Russia is steadily undermining us with propaganda promising ownership of land and economic independence to the common people.

We are wasting billions, the judge says in effect, because we do not insist that the money be spent at the common man's level. And because of this error he feels America's true intention is misrepresented — among the native peoples we are being linked with old landlord regimes, while only the Russians seem to promise to break up the ancient curse of the Middle East, land monopoly.

And yet, Justice Douglas continues, everything that the Arabs and Hindus really believe in would seem to favor our cause as opposed to Communism. Their religion and culture are in direct conflict with the U. S. S. R. And they trust us far more than they trust the Russians.

Well, Justice Douglas is pondering all this in the town of Maku, strategically placed at the very tip of northwestern Iran, between Turkey and Russia, when he has an idea.

"Then I thought," he writes, "why not make Maku the show window of democracy? A land-distribution program, modern houses, schools, churches, roads, hospitals — all these could be had for a tiny fraction of the billions appropriated for foreign aid and lost through the drainpipes of fraud and corruption. We can build factories in Italy to make a few men rich. Why not build on the Soviet border at one of the most troubled spots in the whole world a model, democratic community? Then when people ask, 'What does America stand for in her foreign policy?' we could proudly reply, 'Maku.'"

That's what the man says in "Strange Lands and Friendly People" — good saying, in the most fascinating non-fiction book of 1951.

Movie Note
You never heard of the picture or the people in it, but I saw "Two Lost Worlds" at the Rialto last night and assure you it is a new and exciting show. It plays here through Thursday night.

The advertising features a volcano—but the Hollywood advertising writers have done the picture small justice.

This really is the story of the first Yankee Clipper ship sailing to the East Indies in the 1830's. Near Australia it beats off a pirate attack. The hero, designer of the Clipper, is wounded and has to be left behind at a sheep-herder's station in Australia.

The shepherds fearing the pirates will come ashore and raid them get the American to help organize their defense. That's when he meets the beautiful daughter of the local magistrate. The pirates do come back. They carry off the girl—and the war is on.

The majestic splendor of this film lies in its "shots" of Australian sheepland, with thousands of grazing animals, and kangaroos galloping across the horizon.

It's an English picture, released by the Anglo-American company known as Eagle-Lion—and it's swell movie stuff; good direction, perfect cast, and tense, exciting action.

About three-fourths of the world's supply of sulphur comes from "domes" found during oil drilling on the coast of Louisiana and Texas.

Arkansas: Fair this afternoon tonight, Thursday. A little colder this afternoon, tonight. Lowest temperatures 15-25 north, 25-30 south portion tonight.

Private Citizens Would Pay to Free U. S. Fliers

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP) — While the government pondered what to do about Hungary's offer to free four U. S. airmen in exchange for \$1,000 private citizens in scattered areas promised to raise the money promptly.

Robert Vogeler, an American who was a prisoner of the Hungarian Communist regime for two years, said he will seek to coordinate private efforts to raise the \$120,000 in fines levied against the four fliers.

"I can understand any official running payment by the government," he said, "without embarrassing the United States." Vogeler told a reporter in New York. "But I think this way we might accomplish the same thing without embarrassment to the government."

There was no indication as to how the State Department would react to efforts by private citizens to raise the fine money and thus save the four fliers imprisoned by Hungary from serving three months each in jail.

The imprisoned airmen are Capt. John J. Swift of Glen Falls, N. Y., Capt. Dave H. Henderson of Shawnee, Okla., Tech Sgt. Jess A. Duff of Spokane, Wash., and James A. Elam of Kingsland, Ark.

They got lost in the air over Hungary Nov. 19 while flying supplies from Germany to the U. S. Embassy in Belgrade Yugoslavia. Soviet fighters forced them to land their unarmed C-47 on Hungarian soil.

On Sunday the Hungarian government announced that a military court had convicted the fliers of violating the Hungarian border and had fined them 300,000 forints about \$30,000 each, with the alternative of spending three months in jail.

Committee Studies Army Waste

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP) — Reporting that the army has 21 golf courses at different overseas bases, a senate armed services subcommittee questioned last night whether they are an unnecessary luxury. The subcommittee on preparedness, which has been doing a watchdog job on the multi-million dollar defense program, said army golf courses are also numerous in this country, but it did not say how many there are.

It noted that five of the eight army training centers visited by its investigators had golf courses. Nearby Fort Belvoir, Va., had two, one an 18-hole layout and the other nine.

The report said the 41 overseas golf courses included 18 in the European command, 17 in the Pacific, five in the Caribbean command and one in Alaska.

The senate group sharply criticized what it called waste in some Army activities but used softer terms in discussing recreational facilities.

"The committee does not question the need for adequate diversionary activity as necessary to foster good morale," the report said "however, particularly in regard to the golf courses, we question whether the outlay and overhead is wholly justifiable in terms of utilization."

The report noted that "much of the cost of recreational program is paid out of nonappropriated funds, but there is both a direct and indirect expense to the taxpayer."

Appropriated funds are those voted by congress for specific purposes. Many of the service recreational facilities are constructed and maintained by other means—by officers' club funds, for example.

The senate group called some facilities "over-elaborate" and asked the army to "review its recreational program and carefully determine if the advantages gained in terms of morale offset the spending of public funds for the incidentals of construction and maintenance."

Mrs. Korndorfer Succumbs at the Age of 86

Mrs. Daisy Currie Korndorfer aged 86, died in a Hope Hospital Monday night. She had been ill a long time.

A native of Wisconsin, Mrs. Korndorfer had lived in Hempstead county for the past 25 years.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Sias of Solomon, Kansas; eight nephews and six nieces. Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at Herndon-Carrell Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. William P. Hardegree, pastor of the First Christian Church.

Active pallbearers: Rufus Martin, Howell Goad, Dexter Alford, Bill Burke, Syd McMath, I. B. Urzay, and Merline Cook.



CHRISTMAS PARTY HALACOST — Twisted steel girders and broken chairs are all that remains of the Civic Auditorium, Tijuana, Mexico which went up in flames taking at least 41 lives. A short circuit in wires lighting Christmas decorations caused the blaze. (NEA Telephoto)



WAITING FOR TRAGIC NEWS — A grief-stricken woman cries as she waits for word of a relative trapped in gas-filled coal mine at West Frankfort, Ill. (NEA Telephoto)

Another Christmas Has Gone But the Glow It Leaves Is the Brightest Gift of All

By HAL BOYLE

New York, Dec. 26 (AP) — The day after Christmas every child smells like peppermint candy.

So does a lot of the furniture the children have been climbing over. Many a bright drum already broken—thank heavens—or many a grown-up cardroom would be. Many a little girl quits petting the fancy new doll she got. And goes back to pampering the old doll she has loved so long.

The first needles from the fair green tree begin to fall upon the floor. The golden-brown turkey of yesterday disappears into the mystery of hash.

Santa Claus has made the long voyage back home. His reindeer are back out of harness. And Mrs. Claus is saying, as the old saint soaks his chilled toes in hot water, "I don't know how much longer you can keep this up. Every year you come back more worn out."

"Well, every year there are more kids to take presents to," says Santa.

Christmas is gone, but it leaves a glow behind it that lasts until the new year has faded.

In some ways the days left upon the calendar are even more enjoyable than Christmas day itself. It is a real time. A period for looking behind and planning ahead.

The house is still cluttered with the debris of the season, the tinsel and bright colors of yesterday, and the heart knows a mellowness better than excitement. It has the feeling you can get from a fireplace, a kind of belated Indian Summer of the spirit that lingers on.

The Christmas bills haven't come in yet, but your wife has already forgiven you for the fool you made of yourself at the annual office Christmas party.

Yes, it is a soft interval. There is gratitude for those who remembered you, and a twinge in your heart for the old friend that you yourself somehow overlooked. Never mind he'll understand. Old friends always do. It's the new ones who tend to be touchy.

Your own troubles of the year seem smaller. A man finds the kindness to forgive his own mis-

Officers Report 'Very Quiet' Yule Holiday

Local officers reported the "quietest" Christmas in history here today with no arrests in or around Hope or no outstanding law violations.

The city police department reported only a couple of drunks Christmas day and they were taken home as is the Yule holiday custom.

Despite the extremely heavy traffic Christmas eve there was not a single wreck investigated in Hope. And no serious wrecks were reported by State Police in this county. During the holidays state officers have patrolled the highways all night.

The Fire Department reported three runs Christmas eve—all grass fires started by youngsters shooting fireworks but none resulted in damage. There was no fire call during the past 24 hours.

Pravda Rips Proposed U. S. Envoy

Moscow, Dec. 26 (AP) — George F. Keenan, American diplomat mentioned for the job of U. S. ambassador to Moscow, was attacked today in Pravda, the official Communist party paper.

It called him a supporter of anti-Soviet organizations and listed the East European Fund of the Ford Foundation among these. Keenan resigned as president of the fund Nov. 23. The Pravda attack appeared to be geared to Russia's current "anti-spy" propaganda campaign.

Criticism of Keenan's work for the fund was in a dispatch from a Pravda correspondent in the United States.

The attack indicated Keenan, a Russian-speaking student of Russian life and widely recognized Western authority on Soviet Government affairs would not be acceptable as ambassador to Moscow.

President Truman said Nov. 20 Keenan was being considered to succeed Ambassador Alan G. Kirk. The President commented that Keenan had an important part in developing the American policy for containment of Communism and "certainly ought to know his way around out there."

Masons Invited To DeMolay Initiation

The initiatory meeting of the local chapter of DeMolay will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. at the Masonic lodge hall. This is the second time that Hope has had a chapter of DeMolay. The first one was organized in the early twenties and some of the sponsors were members of that chapter.

Among them are Frank Horton, Jimmy Jones. It is the opinion of all who have been associated with DeMolay that it is a definite asset to a community, especially the youth. All boys who have been petitioned for membership are urged to be at the Masonic hall at 1:00 p. m. and also all qualified Master Masons are invited to attend. After the initiation in the afternoon the boys will be guests of the lodge for a dinner to be held at the hall.

From the hall everyone will go to the junior high school auditorium for the public installation of the chapter and the chapter officers will be announced at that time. Following the installation there will be an informal dance at the youth center for the DeMolays and guests.

It has been pointed out that at the night service, that there is a very impressive ceremony in which the mothers of the boys join in—therefore the mothers have been urged to be present.

Everyone is invited to attend the installation ceremonies in the auditorium at 7:30 p. m. Thursday night.

Violent Death Toll of 747 a Near Record

By The Associated Press
Violent accidents in the United States took a near record toll over the four-day Christmas holiday.

Deaths in traffic accidents, fires and from miscellaneous causes from 6 p. m. Friday to last midnight, local time, reached the staggering total of 747.

This figure compares with the record accidental death toll of 701 recorded in the four-day Christmas holiday of 1936.

Traffic accidents caused more than 500 fatalities, but the 508 total was below the 600 predicted by the National Safety Council. Fires caused 100 deaths—but none resulting from Christmas trees. There were 139 persons killed in violent accidents of miscellaneous nature.

This year's total exceeded the 1950 accidental deaths of 724 which occurred during a three-day holiday. The 1949 three-day total was 580.

Texas reported more than 90 of this year's accidental deaths, including nearly 60 in traffic mishaps.

Ice-covered and snow-covered roads in the Midwest sharply curtailed travel and appeared a major factor in holding the traffic toll under the council's estimate of 600.

The accidental death toll does not include the 110 miners killed in a coal mine explosion in West Frankfort, Ill., last Friday night.

The number killed in motor mishaps this Christmas holiday period of 102 hours compares to the all-time mark 555 traffic fatalities in 1936 and 645 over last year's three-day holiday.

The nation's traffic deaths in 1951 already have passed 30,000, the largest total since the record-breaking 39,980 deaths in 1951 and compares with 35,000 last year. The death toll since the advent of the automobile reached the million mark last Saturday.

UN Receives Mail From Prisoners

Panmunjom, Korea, Dec. 26 (AP) — The Reds today delivered to the United Nations command the first bundle of mail from Allied prisoners in North Korea.

On the day before Christmas the Reds suggested that prisoner mail be exchanged through the truce delegations here.

The United Nations command promptly agreed. The mail was immediately started to Japan for relay to relatives and friends of the Allied prisoners. The number of letters in the package was not disclosed.

Wanger Faces Charge in Court Today

Hollywood, Dec. 26 (AP) — Film producer Walter Wanger spent a peaceful Christmas Day with wife Joan Bennett and their two small daughters yesterday. Today he stands in court to face a charge that he assaulted Miss Bennett's agent with a deadly weapon with intent to commit murder.

The 57-year-old producer returned to the family home yesterday for the first time since he was arrested 13 days ago on charges that he shot Jennings Lang. At the time Wanger told police that Lang was breaking up his home.

The arraignment is in nearby Santa Monica Superior Court. Wanger was indicted by the county grand jury after the parking lot shooting in which Lang was wounded in the groin.

Wanger arrived at his Beverly Hills home at 7 a. m. for a Christmas breakfast with his daughters, Stephanie, 12, and Shelley, 3. Then Miss Bennett joined them and they all went to the girl's second-story playroom to open presents. There was a turkey dinner in the evening.

Despite the pleasant family gathering, friends said there was little possibility that the Wangers will be reconciled. He moved out of the house right after the shooting. Lang recently left a hospital and is recuperating at his home.

Markets

By The Associated Press
Grains opened higher today, with trading very quiet. Hogs were 25 to 50 cents higher, and cattle and sheep were steady to higher.

Cotton futures opened unchanged to 25 cents a bale higher, and whole sale meat was unchanged.

Reds Say 571 Missing U.S. Soldiers Killed

Four Injured in Auto, Truck Wreck Near Ozan

Three Ozan residents were seriously injured yesterday when an auto in which they were riding went out of control and crashed into a truck about 3 miles south of Nashville on Highway No. 4.

Seriously injured were John Baber, his sister Mrs. Walter G. Potter and her 2-year-old son, Bert Potter. Driver of the truck involved Frank Draper, negro of Nashville, also was injured.

Investigating state trooper Guy Downing said that a wheel of the Baber car apparently locked, forcing the auto into an oncoming truck. John Baber, home on furlough from the armed forces, was driving the auto. Both vehicles were demolished.

The soldier suffered internal injuries and Mrs. Potter was still unconscious at noon today. The baby is not believed seriously hurt.

Miners May Stage a Walkout

West Frankfort, Dec. 26 (AP) — Speculation grew today that the nation's miners may stage a work stoppage in memory of the 110 men who died in the West Frankfort coal mine explosion.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine workers, wouldn't comment on the work stoppage talk however.

"I have no comment one way or another," he said. "I will neither confirm nor deny any rumors."

The UMW contract permits "memorial period" work stoppages of up to five days a year for mine disaster victims. Speculation growing daily in mining circles is that Lewis will call a memorial work day around New Year's Day to die in with the threatened steel strike.

Lewis and other UMW officials came here shortly after the violent explosion ripped through the Orient No. 2 mine last Friday, bringing death to 110 miners.

One miner, Cecil Sanders, was taken alive from the blasted tunnels after virtually all hope was abandoned. He has been given a good chance to recover.

His physician, Dr. John Hammon described the miner's condition as fair and said, "you can't be too sure he's out of danger until he has been up and around for about a week."

Investigations into the disaster were scheduled to get underway today. Among those planning to probe the wrecked mine were Lewis and Illinois UMW President, Hugh White. State, federal and company inspectors, also will be in the group.

Steel Market Turned Into Turmoil

New York, Dec. 26 (AP) — Strike fear turned the steel market into a turmoil this week. The Iron Age, metalworking trade weekly, said today.

It reported "telephone calls, telegrams and visits to see if needed metal could be squeezed out before a 'Jan. 1 strike,' as well as renewed interest in premium-priced metal.

Discussing possible effects of "even a short steel shutdown," the publication noted furnaces would have to be banked in advance of any strike deadline and it would take at least three days to get back into full production after workers returned.

Hope Soldier Gets Commendation

Pfc. Charles F. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Clark, has received a letter of commendation from his commanding officer in Japan.

Pfc. Clark is a member of the 6410 Hq. Support Squadron, which operates out of Japan. The commendation was for:

"Your loyalty to men and devotion to duty, initiative and determination to perform duties over and above the call and in the face of what seem overwhelming odds, have been superior in every respect. Your conduct, ability, knowledge of your job, and personal attitude makes you a superior airman. You have commanded respect from all officers and airman of this squadron," said Captain Robert L. Smith, commanding officer.

Chinese Unable to Account for Other Americans

By ARNOLD DIBBLE

Panmunjom, Korea, Dec. 26 (AP) — The Communists claim today that 571 missing American war prisoners have been killed by Allied planes and guns or have died of disease.

Another 152 American prisoners have "escaped," and three have been "rescued," the Red truce negotiators informed the United Nations command.

Names of another 332 Americans missing from a Communist list of prisoners are being investigated by the Reds said.

Thus the Reds claimed to account for 1,058 missing GIs.

The United Nations command said that all 1,058 names on the list of missing war prisoners submitted by the Communists today are American.

In addition, it was disclosed, the U. N. command has asked the Communists to account for 25 more Americans and 20 Britons listed as prisoners.

U. N. spokesman Brig. Gen. William F. Nuccio called the Communist report on the 1,058 missing men "shocking and full of glaring discrepancies." He said none of those listed as escaped ever reached the U. N. lines.

There was just one favorable comment on Wednesday: The Reds had said the U. N. command found a high parcel containing mail from Allied prisoners in Communist camps to their families. The parcel was sent forward to the United States.

The "shocking" Red report the prisoners came a little more than 24 hours before the deadline fixed for conclusion of an armistice in 30 days from Nov. 7.

The deadline comes at midnight Thursday (10 p. m. Thursday EST). Negotiators say there is no slightest possible chance of agreement by then. Alternatively, there must be an agreement to discuss the temporary truce line or other line must be set later.

Nuccio indicated a strong suspicion that the 14 prisoners who escaped may have been taken by Communist guards from them to prison camps.

Although the Communists pled that most of the prisoners had been cut down by Allied planes and artillery, being marched from the front prison camps, Nuccio said that Red broadcasts suggested the actually had reached the armistice line.

The Reds suddenly handed their report on the missing prisoners as a 30-day drive to complete a Korean armistice collapsed. Negotiators were hopelessly blocked with the deadline only a few more than 4 hours away.

However, Nuccio said he placed the truce talks "in any precarious position, then, now."

North Korean Maj. Gen. Sang Cho submitted the Communist report in reply to UN demands that he account for more than 1,000 U. N. troops who have been in Red hands. He said from the list of 447 prisoners issued by the UN, 571 were missing.

Lee's letter said: "Our investigation reveals 76 of the prisoners of war either killed or died of disease in the front to the camp or were already released to the side, or died of disease."

"A detailed list is enclosed. Continuous investigation remaining 22 is under way. The names provided by the Communists were not released once."

The U. N. command said in one instance the Communists tended that all but one of the prisoners whose names they reported to Geneva last summer escaped. The 26th soldiers were as dead.



Christians Hope for Future Peace

The Associated Press
Christmas 1951 belonged to the world today, but Christians the world over attached the holiday messages of peace and good will to their faith in the present and future.
In Korea, where the guns were booming in the night, and in Germany, where the truce in the Holy Land had turned to prayer for the peace since preached by the One who came to earth, Christians celebrated the birth of the Christ.
Prayers came from the battlements of Korea, where weary soldiers and United Nations personnel knelt in the snow or in tents, and artillery shells burst overhead, and negotiators sought to bring out a truce.
In Bethlehem, birthplace of Jesus, pilgrims arrived from all over the world, including a No-Man's Land, with barbed wire and armed soldiers, because of the Palestine situation.
In Jerusalem, Christians celebrated Christmas by praying that there might be peace for sons and husbands and fathers in uniform.
President Truman was at his desk in Independence, Mo., the day, quietly working on the state of the union and budget bills.
Over 6,000 persons went to the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in New York, where Cardinal Edward N. West said that the world regarded as an "angel" who is the world's savior.
St. Patrick's Cathedral, 3,000 persons heard Rev. Timothy J. McEvan say that "the Prince of Peace seems more than ever to be a human ideal."
Across the country, millions sat down to Christmas dinners. They also remembered the homeless and needy, who were invited to tables laden with good food.
"Wherever in the world, many government leaders repeated past resolutions of their faith in an eventual peace."
His Majesty King George VI published his "deep thankfulness to God for helping him recover from a dangerous illness."

No Damage in California Quake

Los Angeles, Dec. 26 (AP)—The severity of Christmas in Southern California was not a late afternoon earthquake that was felt by some counties but caused no damage.
Epicenter of the tremor was in the Pacific Ocean south of San Clemente Island. Ocean depths there range up to 6,000 feet. Dr. Charles Richter, California Institute of Technology seismologist, said the quake, which lasted between 20 and 30 seconds, was sufficiently strong to cause considerable damage if it had originated in a populous area.
Dr. Richter placed the magnitude of the quake between 5.1 and 6 on a scale of maximum 12. The Long Beach quake of 1933 was 6.1 and claimed 118 lives.
Yesterday's tremor started at 4:48 p.m. In slow, rolling motion frightened many persons and some of them rushed into their yards or streets. The quake set off burglar alarms in Inglewood, southwest of Los Angeles.

Truman Works on Budget Problems

Independence, Mo., Dec. 26 (AP)—The Christmas spirit gave way to the nation's affairs today as President Truman buckled down to serious business in his working holiday at home.
Separated by a thousand miles from the telephone callers and visitors who interrupt his working days in Washington, the President was understood to plan a full day of work on budget problems.
Officially his interest was said to be divided between the state of the union message with which he will greet congress just after the lawmakers get back to work Jan. 8, and the budget message which follows shortly afterward.
But the President's own remarks in newspapermen have indicated where the real concern lies. In the figures on military spending which he will submit to the congress next month.
Mr. Truman has called the budget the most troublesome of the 10 with which he has dealt as a senator and as president. He has made it clear that the main trouble is over the arms spending section.
The word from Washington was that even the top military officials themselves have not gotten together on figures. They were understood to be still debating how far to go on all-out mobilization at the expense of the civilian economy.
One question reported under debate was how many warplanes to order.
There were half a dozen other similar issues still reported unresolved. First major business the President has scheduled after his return to Washington is a budget

Steel Union to Meet, Decide on Walkout

Pittsburgh, Dec. 24 (AP)—The high-steel authorities in the CIO-United Steelworkers of America met here today to decide whether they will go through with a nation-wide strike at midnight, December 24.
Philip Murray, president of both the CIO and the U.S.W., has summoned the steelworkers' two most powerful groups into action—the 26-member Executive Board and the 10-member wage policy committee.
Apparently there are only two courses open to the steelworkers.
1. They, like the steel companies, can accept President Truman's mandate that there must be no interruption of steel production vital to the U. S. defense effort.
2. They may go through with the strike and face a possible presidential call for a price increase.
The President asked both companies and union to turn the dispute over to the wage stabilization board for settlement. Mr. Truman said the workers, if entitled to a wage raise, would get it; and the companies, if entitled to a price increase, would get it.
To agree to the presidential request, Murray will have to back down from his previous statement that the steelworkers will not work without a contract. He can do this gracefully if his executive board wage policy committee order him to do so tomorrow.
The union wants an 18-12 cent hourly pay raise, guaranteed annual wage, the union shop, improved incentive and premium pay and other benefits. The steelworkers now get a little less than \$2 an hour.

Would Punish Officials Who Betray Trust

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—Sen. Tobey (R-N.H.) suggested today that the whipping post be to punish public officials who betray their trust.
The sharp-tongued senator told a reporter he is "thinking seriously" of asking congress to impose the penalty of flogging for gross misconduct in federal office.
Widespread irregularities disclosed by a house investigation of income tax frauds and Senate inquiries into government lending operations, he said, disclose a need for more drastic penalties.
"Let's revive the whipping post," Tobey said. "They'd fear that. No punishment really can be adequate, but this practice of accepting resignations of those who are caught in wrongdoing is childishly inadequate."
Sen. Kefauver (D-Tenn.), in a separate interview, called for congress to create a special, independent commission to take over a governmental housecleaning assignment which President Truman has said he will launch soon.
Kefauver, former head of the senate crime investigating committee, on which Tobey also served, called attention to its recommendation for creation of a crime commission of distinguished citizens to carry on the fight against gamblers and other underworld characters.
"We should broaden that plan now," Kefauver said, "and create that commission with wide powers to look into executive departments of the government. It should absorb the interim commission the President is expected to set up."
Meanwhile Sen. Wiley (R-Wis.) urged a public airing of affairs of the alien property custodian's office, which he contends has been swayed by "big money influence peddlers" in the past.

Monkey Makes a Monkey of Trio

Philadelphia, Dec. 26 (AP)—A monkey made a monkey out of three people in full view of Christmas Day strollers along Market Street yesterday.
The monkey, part of a holiday "zoo" display for children in a department store window, amused sidewalk passersby for an hour and a half before his pursuers caught up to him.
The animal went into his act when a cage door was left open after feeding time.
conference Friday afternoon.
The President spent a quiet Christmas in the tradition of private family celebration.
He ate turkey and trimmings with his wife and their daughter Margaret, delivered a Christmas present in person to a cousin who lives across the street from the Truman family home in Independence, on Kansas City's outskirts, and spent the rest of the day in doors.
He was reported to have spent the greater part of the day on the pile of work he brought from Washington.

Snow, Wind Bogs Action in Korea

Seoul, Korea, Dec. 26 (AP)—Fresh snow and a lashing wind bogged action on the Korean war front today. Heavy overcast held air action to a minimum.
Ground fighting, relatively light for a month, may flare in renewed fury after Thursday.
A 30-day provisional cease-fire line—the present front—is due to expire then unless truce negotiators at Panmunjom come to terms on an armistice. There is little likelihood they will do that.
Battlefront changes made after the Dec. 7 deadline must be taken into consideration in any newly proposed cease-fire line. Thus, troops will be fighting again for keeps after Thursday.
Only one sharp brief action marked Christmas Day along the 14-mile shooting line.
In that fight, a Chinese battalion crushed against an Allied advance position on the eastern front as darkness fell. But the United Nations troops, standing on snow-covered ground, stood fast against the assault. With artillery support, they hurled back the hundreds of attacking Chinese after less than an hour of fighting.
On the western front, other Chinese soldiers tried to cross the lower Sachon river south of Panmunjom late Tuesday. But the Red were kicked back both times by Allied infantry and artillery to the east bank. The attempted crossings were merely patrol actions by small forces, an Eighth Army briefing officer said.
The snow and rain over nearly all Korea all but stopped air operations over the battle scarred peninsula.
The Fifth Air Force said that by noon Wednesday only patrol planes had climbed into the gray skies, searching for openings in the heavy cloud layer that would let ground forces resume their attack on installations.

Andrews Sister Gets Married

Los Angeles, Dec. 26 (AP)—All three of the singing Andrews sisters stood together when one of them was married yesterday and today all three are scheduled to go on the honeymoon trip.
Patti Andrews is the bride of the trio's musical director and composer, Walter Weschler. In the civil ceremony yesterday, Laverne and Maxine stood up with their sister, who hurled back the hundreds of attacking Chinese after less than an hour of fighting.

Deadline Near, Peace Talks Will Continue

Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—The United Nations will agree to a brief extension of the Korean truce deadline if an armistice appears within eight days, the 26-day agreement expires tomorrow, UN officials said today.
They emphasized, however, that U.N. negotiators will not approve a lengthy extension because of the danger of a Communist double-cross.
The duration of any truce extension would have to be negotiated with the Reds, but observers here believe it would not be longer than a week or 10 days.
An armistice agreement by tomorrow appeared out of the question. The truce talks have been stymied by the issues of exchange of prisoners and policing the armistice.
The final decision on extension of the truce deadline will be based on Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's day. The musical team is opening an engagement there.
Patti formerly was married to theatrical agent Marty Moleher and Weschler's first wife was singing for divorce.

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Steel Union to Meet, Decide on Walkout

Pittsburgh, Dec. 24 (AP)—The high-steel authorities in the CIO-United Steelworkers of America met here today to decide whether they will go through with a nation-wide strike at midnight, December 24.
Philip Murray, president of both the CIO and the U.S.W., has summoned the steelworkers' two most powerful groups into action—the 26-member Executive Board and the 10-member wage policy committee.
Apparently there are only two courses open to the steelworkers.
1. They, like the steel companies, can accept President Truman's mandate that there must be no interruption of steel production vital to the U. S. defense effort.
2. They may go through with the strike and face a possible presidential call for a price increase.
The President asked both companies and union to turn the dispute over to the wage stabilization board for settlement. Mr. Truman said the workers, if entitled to a wage raise, would get it; and the companies, if entitled to a price increase, would get it.
To agree to the presidential request, Murray will have to back down from his previous statement that the steelworkers will not work without a contract. He can do this gracefully if his executive board wage policy committee order him to do so tomorrow.
The union wants an 18-12 cent hourly pay raise, guaranteed annual wage, the union shop, improved incentive and premium pay and other benefits. The steelworkers now get a little less than \$2 an hour.

Snow, Wind Bogs Action in Korea

Seoul, Korea, Dec. 26 (AP)—Fresh snow and a lashing wind bogged action on the Korean war front today. Heavy overcast held air action to a minimum.
Ground fighting, relatively light for a month, may flare in renewed fury after Thursday.
A 30-day provisional cease-fire line—the present front—is due to expire then unless truce negotiators at Panmunjom come to terms on an armistice. There is little likelihood they will do that.
Battlefront changes made after the Dec. 7 deadline must be taken into consideration in any newly proposed cease-fire line. Thus, troops will be fighting again for keeps after Thursday.
Only one sharp brief action marked Christmas Day along the 14-mile shooting line.
In that fight, a Chinese battalion crushed against an Allied advance position on the eastern front as darkness fell. But the United Nations troops, standing on snow-covered ground, stood fast against the assault. With artillery support, they hurled back the hundreds of attacking Chinese after less than an hour of fighting.
On the western front, other Chinese soldiers tried to cross the lower Sachon river south of Panmunjom late Tuesday. But the Red were kicked back both times by Allied infantry and artillery to the east bank. The attempted crossings were merely patrol actions by small forces, an Eighth Army briefing officer said.
The snow and rain over nearly all Korea all but stopped air operations over the battle scarred peninsula.
The Fifth Air Force said that by noon Wednesday only patrol planes had climbed into the gray skies, searching for openings in the heavy cloud layer that would let ground forces resume their attack on installations.

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Van Ness — Garaffo Vows Exchanged

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Saturday, Dec. 22, the First Methodist Church was the scene of an impressive double-ring ceremony uniting Miss Laura Ann Garaffo and Mr. Charles Watson Van Ness in marriage. The Rev. Virgil P. Kelley officiated. Miss Garaffo is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin E. Garaffo of this city, and Mr. Van Ness is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Van Ness of New York.

The bridegroom predicted their vows before a background of wood-wardian form with a central arrangement of double white stock, calla-lilies, white carnations and huckle-berry. On either side, strands of white stock and seven branched candelabras flanked the altar.

Prior to the entrance of the wedding procession, Mr. Luther Hollammon, at the organ, rendered a program of pre-nuptial music. Mr. Hollammon played "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice," "Saints' Songs," "Ave Maria," "Bach-Gounod," "Son-nata," Schubert, "Prelude to Romeo & Juliet," Tchaikowsky, "To the Evening Star," Wagner, "Coe-st," Aida, Verdi, and "Love That Liketh Soul to Soul." List, was softly played throughout the cere-mony.

W. R. Robard of El Dorado served as best man and William Bodend-lmer, also of El Dorado, was groom-sman. The ushers were Billy Willis, Charles Tompkins of Pres-cott, Robert Mackey of Hot Springs, Scotty Giles and Robert Haffard of El Dorado.

The maid of honor, Miss Barbara L. Trone, and the bridesmaid, Miss Mary Rains Lewis, cousin of the bride, were identically gowned in dresses of blue velvet. The fitted basques were designed with scalloped off-the-shoulder neck line and shirring at the shoulder seam of the cap sleeves. Their full floor-length skirts were worn over hoops and half hats of the velvet were their becoming head dress. Their colonial bouquets were of pinocchio

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The bride given in marriage by her father was attired in a gown of white chambray lace and French net over white satin. The two bod-ices bodied to her knee were fashioned with a yoke of illusion outlined with lace applique and accented by long, thin sleeves, which tapered to lily points over her hands. The extremely full skirt of net, worn over hoops, with two gathered flounces at the hem line, and finished with a scalloped over-kirt of lace. Her double-need finger-length veil of Blenheim was attached to a small half hat worn in regal fashion on top of her head, and she carried a round bouquet of white single hydrangeas and lavender tied in lovers' knots.

For her daughters' wedding, Mrs. Garaffo wore a crown of steel blue tulle with matching accessories, and pinned pink camellias at her waist.

Immediately following the cere-mony, the parents of the bride were hosts at a reception in the main dining room of the Barlow Hotel which was decorated for the occasion with sudsax and white tapers. Garlands of evergreen ac-ced the mantel which held two glow-ing tapers and a silver vase.

Greeting the guests at the door were Mrs. Roy Anderson and Mrs. Frank Nolan, aunt of the bride. The brides mother, the bride and groom, and the feminine members of the wedding party formed the receiving line just inside the din-ing room.

The brides table was covered with a floor-length nylon cloth and centered with an exquisitely three-tiered embossed wedding cake topped with a wedding veil and two domes. Huckleberry, white stock, and frosted grapes encircled the base of the cake. At diagonal corners, silver candelabras held tall white glowing tapers to which clusters of flowers were tied.

Miss Norma Lewis, aunt of the bride, presided at the cake service. Punch was served from a smaller table covered with a floor-length cloth and garlanded in pink rose-buds and huckleberry. Alternating here were Mrs. Clifton Ingram of Bastrop, La., aunt of the bride, and Mrs. Orrin Ellsworth of Pres-cott. Assisting further in serving courtesies were Mrs. Robert La-Grone, Mrs. Paul Lewis, aunt of the bride, Mrs. Houston Kitchens, Mrs. F. B. Ward, Jr., and Miss Helen Gray Hammons. Mrs. Wil-liam Gooche of Dumas presided at the brides book.

After the reception, the bride and groom left for their wedding trip to New Orleans. For her going-away ensemble, Mrs. Van Ness wore a gold knit dress and a long fitted top coat of black broadcloth with a matching stole lined with white tulle. Her cloche type hat of winter felt and white gloves completed her costume.

After January 1 the couple will be at home in El Dorado.

Out-of-town guests attending the wedding were Mrs. Sam T. White, Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Ellsworth of Prescott, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fox of Magnolia, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCord and Mr. Robert Burn-ham of Dallas, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Win. Gooche of Dumas, Wil-liam Bodendlmer, W. R. Robard, Scotty Giles, Harold Robard, Robert Haffard of El Dorado and Char-les Tompkins of Prescott.

Coming and Going

Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Singlet-on of Memphis, Tenn., who have spent the Christmas holidays in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Singleton and Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Lille, returned to their home yesterday.

Mr. W. P. Singleton left last night for a visit with his mother, days of ease and comfort. Isn't it better to accept the years grace-

and Mrs. A. F. Cagle, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson of Arkadelphia are spending the holi-days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Calhoun and son, Randy, of Little Rock are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Cannon Hollis of Conway, Texas, arrived Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Hollis and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Powell of Pattons.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor have as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Christensen of Lawton, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Hallett Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Taylor and children and Mrs. Wilford Taylor, all of Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jobe have returned to their home in Tyler, Texas, after spending the Christ-mas holidays with Mrs. Jobe's par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. James.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess Garrett of Magnolia have returned to their home after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. James.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Honca, and children, Johnny and Ross of Lit-tle Rock and Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas Copeland and son, Tommy of Arkadelphia were Christmas guests of Mrs. Honca's and Mr. Copeland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Copeland and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Davis were the Christmas guests of Mrs. Davis' uncle, Mr. G. F. Wade of Little Rock.

DOROTHY DIX

Warning To Oldsters

Dear Miss Dix: My experience, I hope, may save some other old-lent from the heartbreaking mis-take I made. At the age of 63, a widower for seven years and a grandfather four times over, I decided to remarry. Someone my own age, I was a young man to my way of thinking. So I married a woman of 40 who had never been married. This was to me miraculous! Such a woman — so attractive — so sweet — such a good cook and just waiting for me. Oh, how we can talk ourselves into something! I had a comfort-able home with my son, his wife and two children. Nothing was too much for them to do for "Gramps." If I had only listened to them! They resented my marriage, and how right they were!

Now after two years of marriage I find myself tied to a woman who has completely changed since the wedding. She insists on my changing to her ways; everything must be done as she wants it. My comfort is secondary; my wishes ignored. So, may I warn other oldsters — admit your age! Don't let a last fling throw you into a situation like mine.

UNHAPPY GRANDFATHER
Answer: This is the substance of many letters along the same lines. Grandpa at 50, 60, or later, decides he is too young to settle down, so he goes a-wooing. The object of his affection is a woman 20, 30 or more years his junior. Does that phase grandpa? Of course not! What difference does a few years make?

She Wanted Security
Alas and alack! He discovers too soon — and too late — that a generation is difficult to span. His lady love has achieved securi-ty, which was her goal from the beginning. So now we have grand-pa estranged partially or complet-ly from his family, forced to ad-just himself to a new life not to his liking, bidding farewell to the days of ease and comfort. Isn't it better to accept the years grace-

Mr. and Mrs. Earl O'Neal had as their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robins, III of Conway and Mr. Jerry O'Neal who is at-tending Hendrix College, Conway.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Beans of Cochise, Arizona, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Beans of Shreveport spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Asan, of Oak haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Haynes and children of Houston, Texas, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gus Haynes.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Guerin and children of Memphis are spending the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. Emmett Thompson.

Miss Marion Cuffman of El Dorado has returned to her home af-ter spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons and family of Houston, Texas, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. Simmons' sister, Mrs. J. O. Tate and family.

T. Sgt. and Mrs. Winford May and family of Laredo Air Force Base, San Antonio, were the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence May and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Tate. Mrs. May and children remained for a few days visit and Sgt. May returned yesterday.

Hospital Notes

Julia Chester
Admitted — Mrs. Frank Willis, Longview, Texas; Mrs. J. O. A. Bush, Hope.

Discharged — Mrs. Hilton Shapley Hope; Ben Wilson, Hope; Mrs. Li-za Bryant, Hope.

Josephine
Discharged — Mrs. Dale Hatfield and baby girl, Hope.

fully? This needn't mean idleness or stagnation; it simply means adapting oneself to the limitations exacted by Father Time. It de-finitely precludes romance with ladies a generation younger. De-cember-May marriages are usually engineered by ladies looking for a soft berth. They set the standards for the marriage while hamstringing grandpa meekly follows as best he can.

Congenial marriages do occur in middle — or even old — age but the partners are of the same generation, at least. Lonely old-sters very often establish a fine pattern of companionship in their later days. In many respects it offers aspects for younger marri-ed folk to emulate or aspire to. As an attempt to revive the romance of youth, however, a late-in-life match is doomed to utter disaster.

Dear Miss Dix: Are the wedding gifts from a reception supposed to be taken to the bride's home or to the couple's new home, which is all furnished? In this case, the bride's mother took them home with her, so when the couple re-turned from their wedding trip they had to transport the gifts to their new home.

G. R.
Answer: This seems like a very trivial matter for you to get so up-set over. The bride's mother may very reasonably have thought the gifts would be safer with her than in an unoccupied house. She sure-ly had no intention of retaining permanent possession of the gifts, so why all the hallelalujahs?

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Farouk Wants to Settle British Spot

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 26 (AP)—King Farouk has picked two pro-Western advisers and signs new today that he may try ending Egypt's deadly quarrel with Britain over the Suez Canal and the Sudan.

There are precedents for him to do. Premier Mustafa el Nahas, head of the Wafdist Nationalist party government, Farouk did it twice before in 1937, when forcing Nahas to disband his "blue shirt" army of 10,000 Wafd youth, and in 1944.

The Nahas government, violently anti-British now although he was a British chieftain for premier in 1937 during the war, cancelled his alliance with Britain in mid-October. They permitted British troops to stay in Egypt to defend the canal, and provided for joint rule of the Sudan.

Political observers believed Farouk and Nahas' cabinet were split further apart on conduct of foreign affairs, especially over the Sudan. Farouk refused last October to join Egypt with the Western powers and Turkey in a proposed Middle East defense command against Communism.

Farouk chose Hafez Agha Pasha, former foreign minister and pro-Western, as chief of his royal cabinet. The royal cabinet is a group of illustrious advisers, separate from the cabinet which administers the government.

Last night Farouk also called in Hafez Agha Pasha, ambassador to London, to act as his adviser on foreign affairs while Amir el-Nahhas' cabinet as a pro-Western military action in the Suez Canal zone.

Political sources looked for major developments in spring from Farouk's renewed plunge into politics. Some expected big moves in the

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PRESCOTT NEWS

Wednesday, December 26
There will be a Bible Study at the First Christian Church Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Prayer meeting will begin at 7:30 at the Liberty Nazarene Church.

The following services will be held on Wednesday night at the First Baptist Church: 7 p.m. officers and teachers meeting; 7:45 p.m. prayer meeting; 8:30 choir rehearsal.

Thursday, December 27
The choir of the First Presbyterian Church will meet Thursday evening at 7:15 for rehearsal.

The Kiwanis Club meets each Thursday evening at 8:15 for a dinner meeting at the Lawson Hotel.

Winners are Named in Decoration Contest
Mrs. Carl Dahyupke, president, has announced the following winners for the Christmas Home Demonstration contest sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Club, First place, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Davis, second place, Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Hunt, third place, Miss Addys Brown.

Kiwanis Club Has Family Night
Members of the Prescott Kiwanis Club entertained with a Family Night at the regular weekly meeting on Thursday evening at the Lawson Hotel.

The shaped table was beautifully decorated with Christmas greenery and red candles. Covers were laid for 60.

Several vocal duets by Miss Arlene Gre and Conrad White, accompanied by Mrs. Lora Johnson at the piano were enjoyed. The story of "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke, was told by Mrs. F. G. Primmitt. Mrs. Florence Ambrose sang several selections. She was accompanied by Luther Holloman Jr. of Hope at the piano. Mr. Holloman also played piano

next day or so others thought they might take a month to mature.

Both Afti and Ann were reported by political informants to favor a defense alliance with the West, with proper safeguards for Egyptian rights.

Afti has been outspoken in his views.

Agreement with Britain and the United States, he told the independent newspaper Al Ahran last August, "is the best that it could wish for my country."

"The world is divided into two blocs and I would not hesitate to choose the blue of freedom," he said. "It should be clearly understood that no country can remain isolated, but should have potential allies."

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selection for the group and sang Christmas carols.
Mrs. Carl Dahyupke, Mrs. Floyd Hubbard and Mrs. Mark Janting planned the evening's entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cox and Herby Cox were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cox in Hope.

Miss Little Butcher is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund White and family in Kermit, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hines and son, are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Landers in Bonita, Calif. They were accompanied by Dr. Cottingham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hines are the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Nash in El Paso, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gay had as their guests Sunday afternoon, Mrs. J. D. Hines and daughter, Mary Ethel, of Greenville, Miss. and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gay Jr. of Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Cannon Jr. have returned to Dallas after a visit with Mrs. Cannon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke White.

Mrs. C. A. Haynes is spending the holidays in Houston with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Boone and family and in Midland, Texas, with her son, Charles Haynes and family.

Howard Harrell of Little Rock is spending the week with his sister, Mrs. Rodney Hamilton and Mrs. J. C. Stegus.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Erchme Sr. have as their holiday guests, Mrs. Dana Whitley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Whitley of El Dorado, Wagon and Mrs. Ted Murphy and Celia of Jessup, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Prentiss and son of Crossville, and Sgt. and Mrs. Jimmy Erchme of Southern Pines, N. Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Walls of Hot Springs have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ingram.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Black and son, Marion of Midway were Saturday evening guests of Mrs. M. E. Robinson.

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Dec. 20, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hale of Prescott are the maternal grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Herrington are spending the week in Shreveport, La., as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Webb.

Clark County Coroner Dies
Macon, Ark., Dec. 26 (AP)—Clark County Coroner Alva C. Harris Sr. of Arkadelphia, died at a hospital here yesterday.

He was a past president of the Arkansas Funeral Directors Association and a former member of the Arkansas State Board of Health. He was serving his second term as coroner.

Survivors include his widow and two sons.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hines are the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Nash in El Paso, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gay had as their guests Sunday afternoon, Mrs. J. D. Hines and daughter, Mary Ethel, of Greenville, Miss. and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gay Jr. of Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Cannon Jr. have returned to Dallas after a visit with Mrs. Cannon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke White.

Mrs. C. A. Haynes is spending the holidays in Houston with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Boone and family and in Midland, Texas, with her son, Charles Haynes and family.

Howard Harrell of Little Rock is spending the week with his sister, Mrs. Rodney Hamilton and Mrs. J. C. Stegus.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Erchme Sr. have as their holiday guests, Mrs. Dana Whitley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Whitley of El Dorado, Wagon and Mrs. Ted Murphy and Celia of Jessup, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Prentiss and son of Crossville, and Sgt. and Mrs. Jimmy Erchme of Southern Pines, N. Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Walls of Hot Springs have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ingram.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Black and son, Marion of Midway were Saturday evening guests of Mrs. M. E. Robinson.

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Move Delayed to Clean Up Government

By JAMES MARLOW
Washington, Dec. 26 (AP)—It looks like efforts to fumigate the government will be a little tardy.

President Truman has run into difficulty setting up a sanitation squad. And attempts from inside Congress to improve the odor around here may get the molasses treatment.

Two weeks ago Mr. Truman said he had a plan for cleaning wrongdoers out of the government. He hasn't produced it. Asked why by a reporter, he said he's having more trouble than he reckoned on.

He never made it clear whether the cleanup crew would be headed by one man or a commission. But whatever it turns out to be it will start out on crutches.

No one in the executive branch of the government, including the President, has the power in any investigation to compel subpoena witnesses to testify under pain of jail if they don't.

Lacking it himself, he can't give the power to investigators he appoints. It's not his fault. Only Congress, the courts and grand juries have subpoena power.

A presidential commission could make government employees talk—they'd be free if they didn't, but it couldn't subpoena outsiders without whose complicity the employees wouldn't be crooked.

True, a presidential commission might limp along by working with a grand jury, getting the latter to issue subpoenas. Or congress could vote it subpoena power, if it would. And maybe it wouldn't.

Meanwhile, congress is beginning to bulge with suggestions from some of its own members for cleaning up the government, including congress, and even the public. They'll confront Congress when it returns in January.

For instance, Senator Paul Douglas, Illinois Democrat, headed a special Senate committee this year to inquire about ways to fumigate the ethical and moral tone hereabouts. This committee has made a number of suggestions of which there are just two:

1. Congress should create a special commission on ethics, with two years to do the job, to examine the moral standards of conduct of all

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Block and family of Chicago, spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Jones left Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John A. Jones in Dallas, Texas.

Miss Florence Catmyn and son of Los Angeles, D. C. spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kane Catmyn in Lockport.

Miss Louise Graham of Little Rock is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ola Graham, and other relatives.

Miss Geneva McGhee of Tuskegee, Ala., spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis McGhee.

Mrs. Gay Turner left Monday to spend the holidays with her brother and sister Jewel Johnson and M. C. Delaney in Fort Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Fern McElvene and family of South Bend, Ind., spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Bob McElvene.

George E. Harris of South Bend spent the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Daisy Muldrow, and Lila Muldrow.

Mrs. Mary T. Brown of Crowley, La., spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Florine White of Little Rock arrived Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry White and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. David Shaw of Detroit spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Shaw's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Wilson in Lewisville.

James Scoggins of Detroit, spent the holidays with Miss Gurtha Scoggins, and other relatives.

Mrs. Lucy Johnson, Mrs. Irene Johnson of Los Angeles, Calif., De-Rosa Johnson and William Johnson of Oakland, Calif., Mary Elizabeth of Kansas City, Mo., spent their holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johnson.

Cpl. Eunice Ragland of Fort Custer, Mich., is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in Washington.

Miss Helena Coleman of Pine Bluff spent the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Cora Ragland, and other relatives.

Mrs. Palestine Brown and daughter, Barbara Fay and Mrs. Martha A. Harris of St. Louis, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Newton.

Isiah Holmes of Pine Bluff spent the Christmas holidays with his wife, Mrs. Mamie Holmes, and other relatives.

Mrs. Rodella Hood of Chicago, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isiah Holmes and other relatives.

Mrs. Jessie M. Jones and son of Toledo, Ohio, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Parker, and other relatives.

Ben Nelson of St. Louis, spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mary Nelson and other relatives.

Mrs. Bette Shaw left Thursday for Los Angeles, Calif., to spend the holidays with her daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Friede and family of Little Rock are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Royal.

Man Charged With Murder

Arkansas City, Dec. 26 (AP)—Cecil Rice, Dumas ice plant operator, who is charged with first degree murder in the disappearance of his wife, has been freed from jail here on bond of \$25,000.

The bond was fixed by the Arkansas Supreme Court in an extraordinary session Tuesday after Desha Circuit Court had refused to set bail or to order Rice's release on a writ of habeas corpus.

Sheriff Robert S. Moore said Rice government employees including Congress and of the general public too. Quite a king-size assignment.

2. Congress should pass a law compelling all members of Congress, all judges, and all other government employees, making above a certain salary to list publicly all their income—aside from their pay.

And Senator Mike Monroe, Oklahoma Democrat, has some ideas. Here are two:

Congress should forbid members of Congress to interfere in any tax case in the hands of the internal revenue bureau something which members have done; and Congress should compel its members who intervene with the RFC for loans for anyone which members have done to say so on a public record.

And Senator Kefauver, the Tennessee Democrat who won fame with his TV investigation of crime, thinks Congress should create an independent commission to be a watchdog on government.

These may be fine intentions but Congress probably won't shatter any records doing anything about them.

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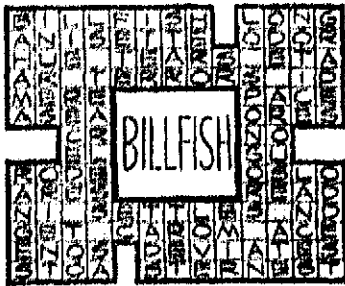
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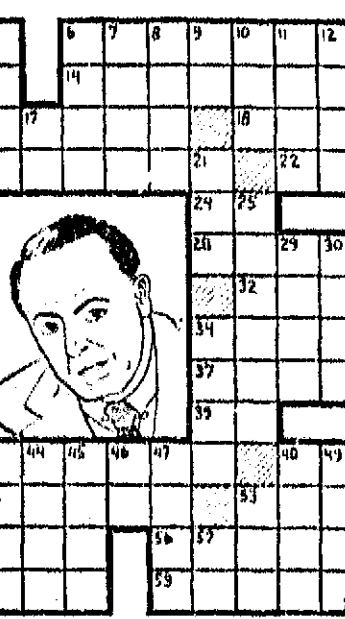
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5 Shout
6 Tennis strokes
7 Epic poetry
8 Withered
9 Abraham's home (Bib.)
10 Organ of hearing
11 Western state
12 City in Nevada
13 Rough lava
14 Tribe
15 Pronoun
16 Russian storehouses
17 Changes
18 Kind
19 Arabian prince
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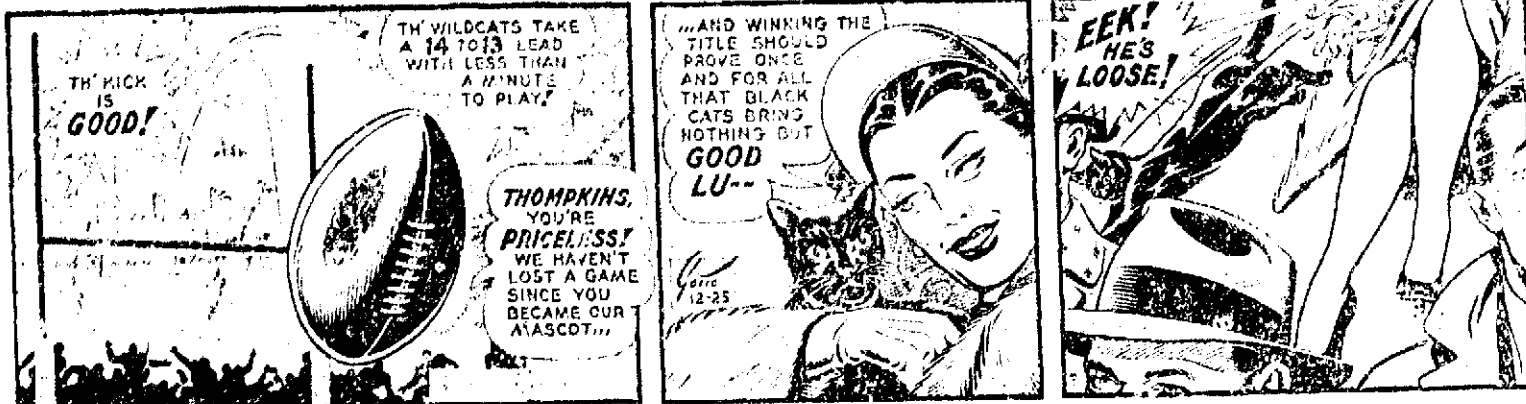
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"...from Ralph really must be love, mother—...boy friend who didn't run out on me before Christmas!"

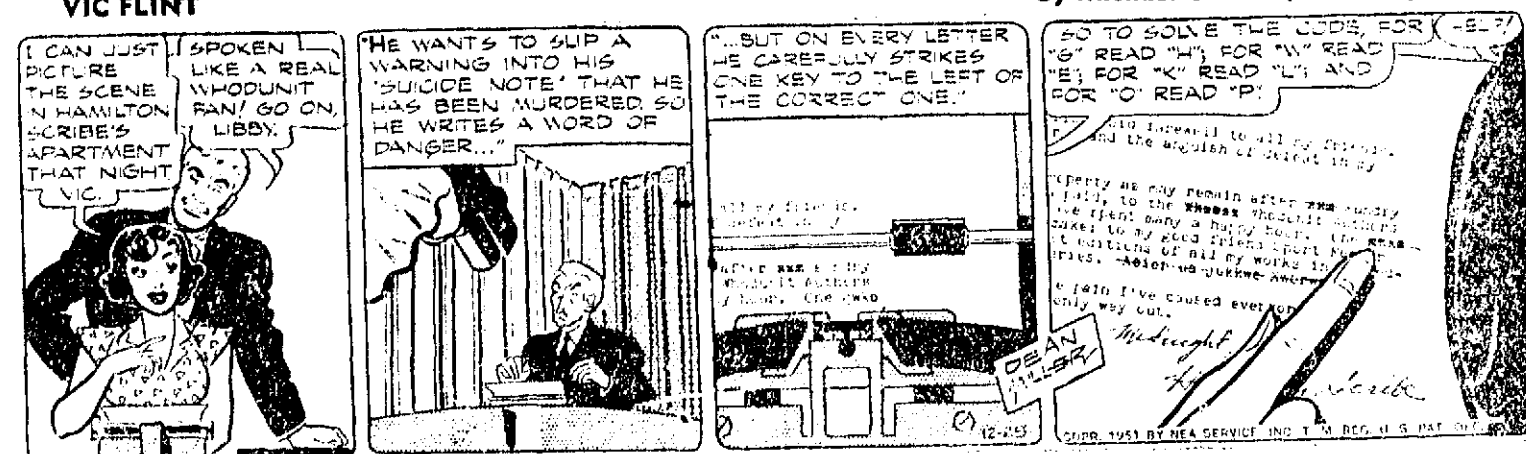
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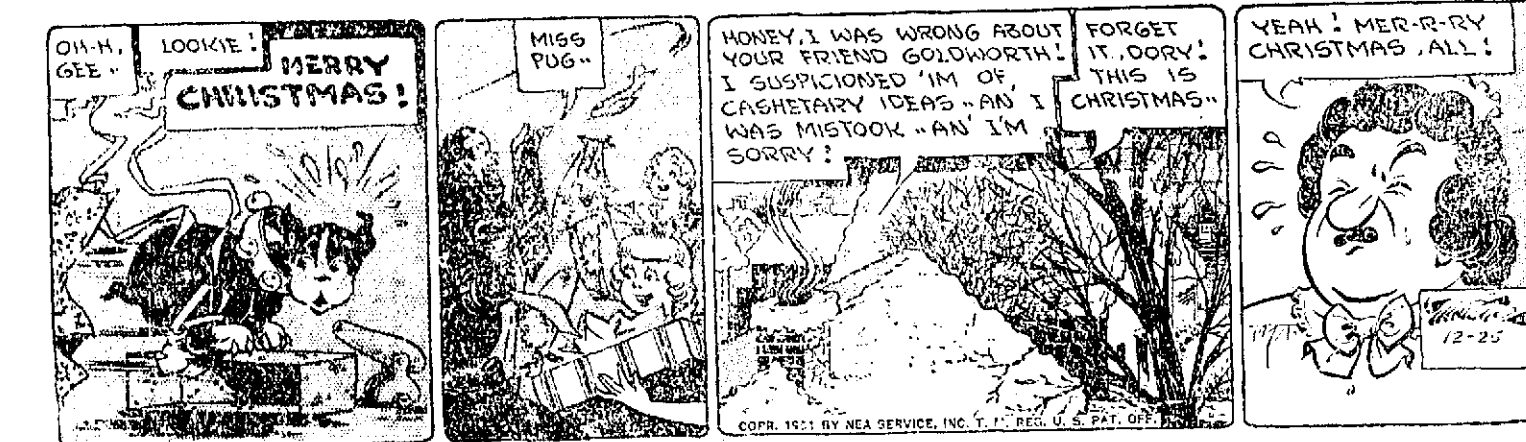
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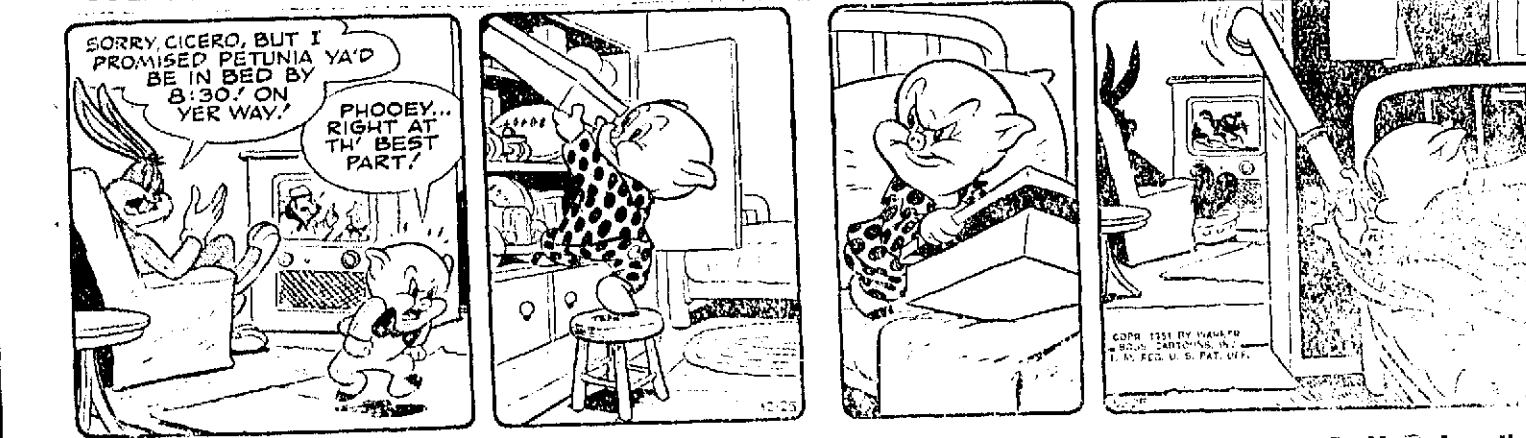


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By Edgar Martin



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Country's Flag

- HORIZONTAL**
- 1,4 Depicted in the flag of
 - 10 Wading bird
 - 12 Incident
 - 14 Age
 - 15 Stakes
 - 17 Underworld
 - 18 French article
 - 19 Reckless driver
 - 21 Bone
 - 22 Formerly
 - 24 Malarial fever
 - 26 Rind
 - 27 Go by
 - 28 Higher
 - 29 Pronoun
 - 30 Direction (ab.)
 - 31 Down
 - 32 Narrow valley
 - 34 Comfort
 - 37 Repose
 - 38 Prosecutes
 - 39 Silver
 - 40 Trifles
 - 46 Near
 - 47 Bank
 - 49 Attentive
 - 50 Malt beverage
 - 51 Hotel attendant
 - 53 Later
 - 55 Hangman's knots
 - 56 Spread
- VERTICAL**
- 1 Calm
 - 2 Constellation
 - 3 Negative reply
 - 4 Allot

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 5 Imitated
- 6 Get up
- 7 This country in Italy
- 8 Bow slightly
- 9 Hatful
- 10 Creek slave
- 11 Pile
- 13 Worms
- 16 Compass point
- 19 Snakes
- 20 Fastest
- 23 Reasons
- 25 French cake
- 32 Imposing
- 33 Army unit
- 35 Closed
- 36 Natural fat
- 41 Scottish headgear (pl.)
- 42 Wings
- 43 Camera part
- 44 Comparative
- 45 Musical direction
- 48 Show contempt
- 50 Goddess of Information
- 52 Artificial language
- 54 Length measure (ab.)

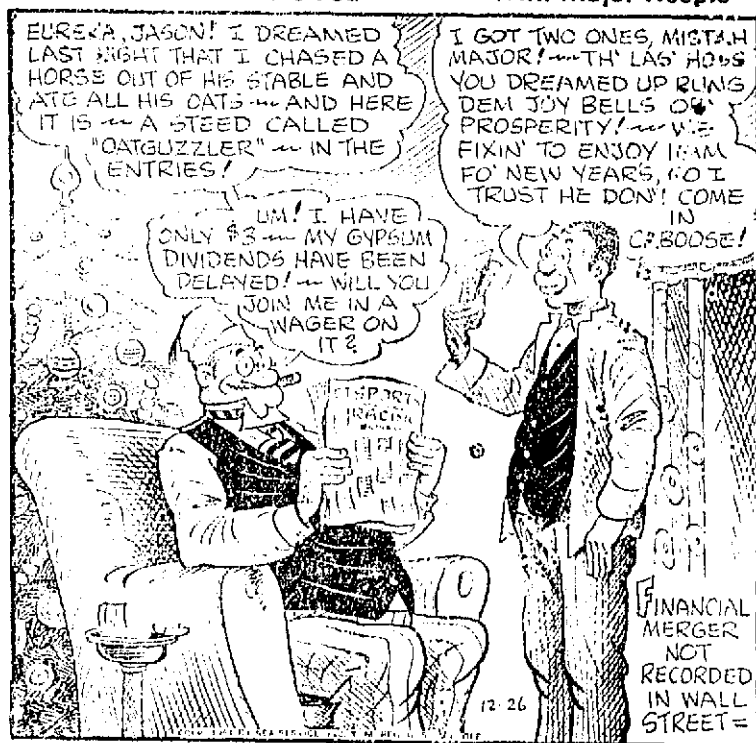
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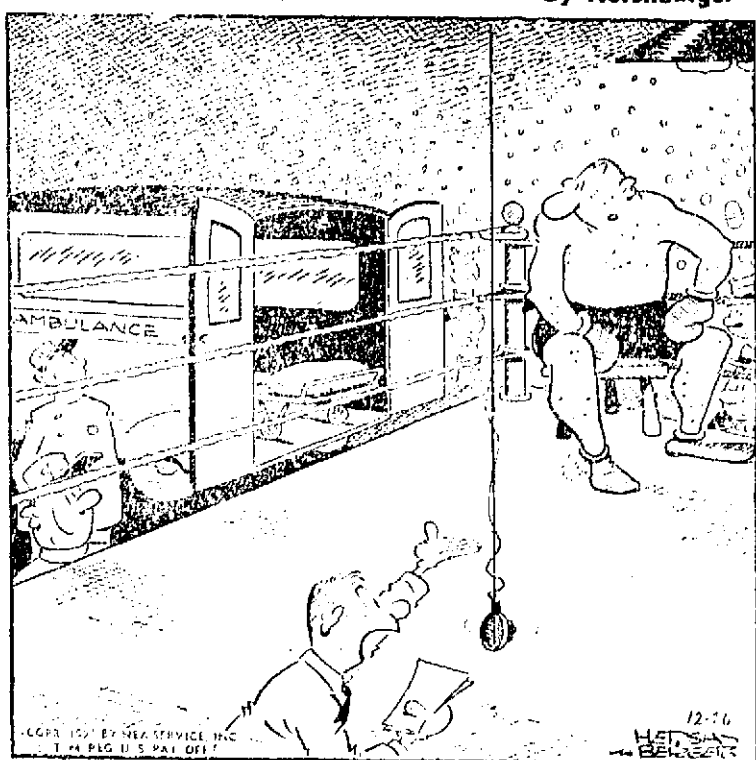
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With Major Hoople



FUNNY BUSINESS

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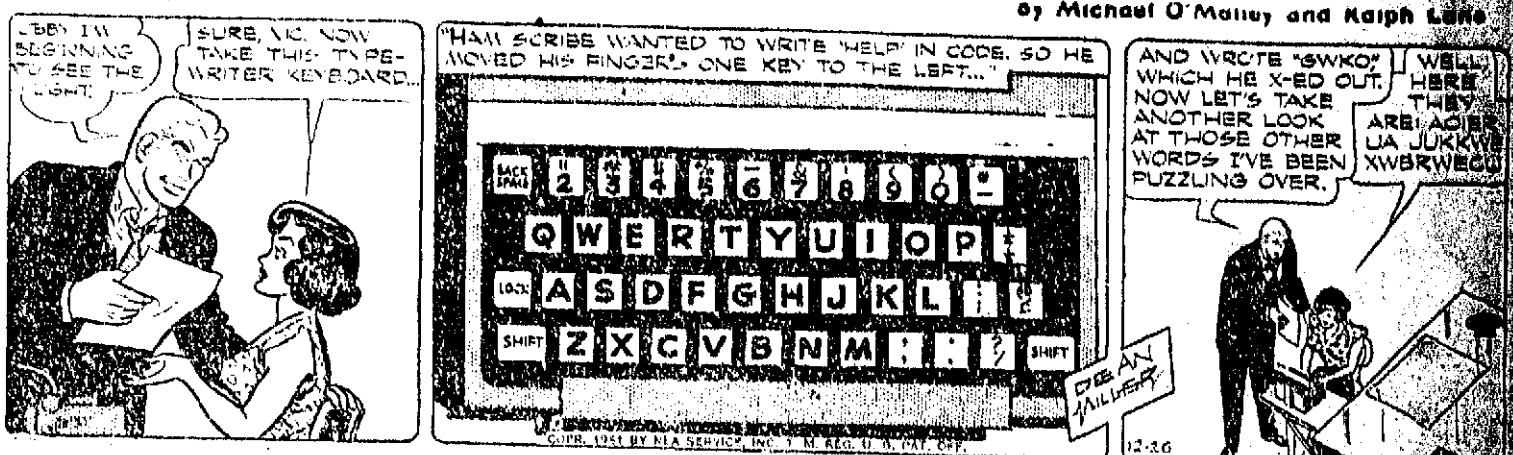


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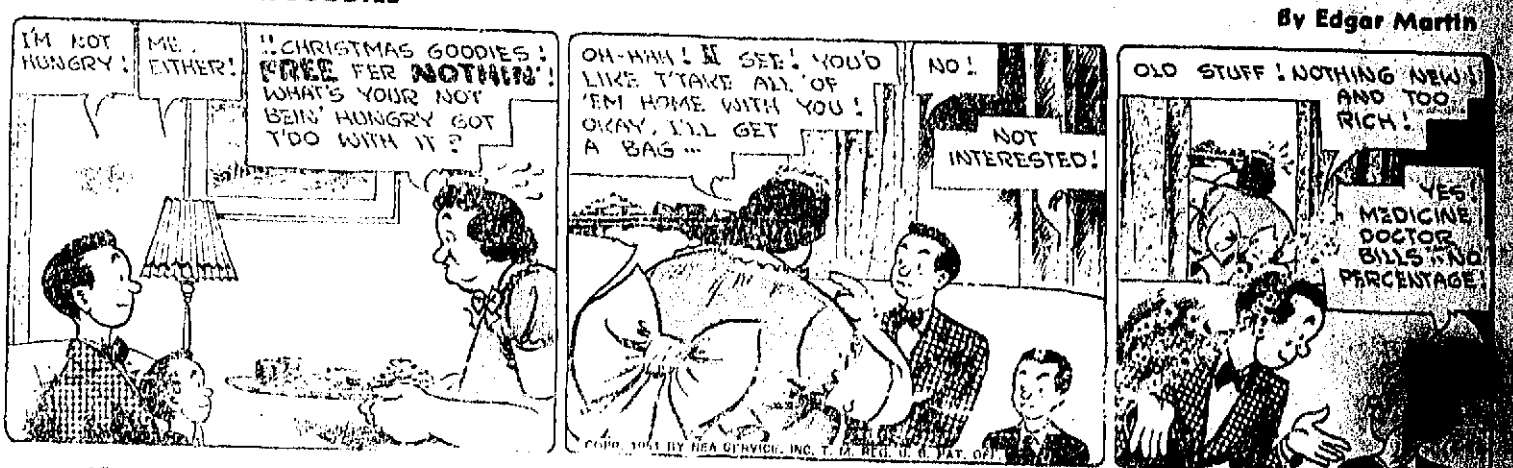
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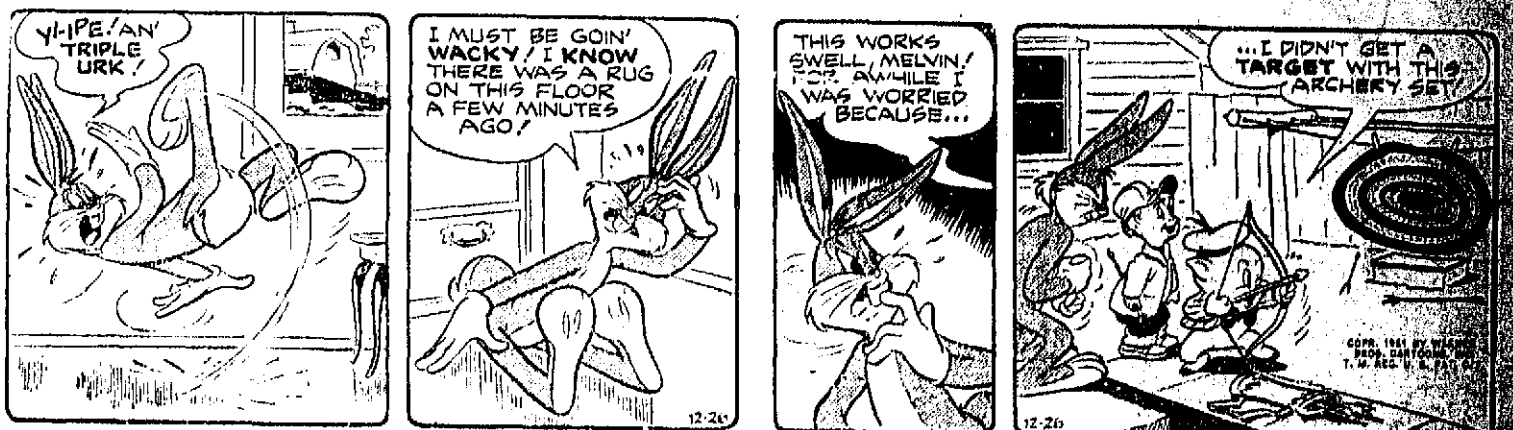
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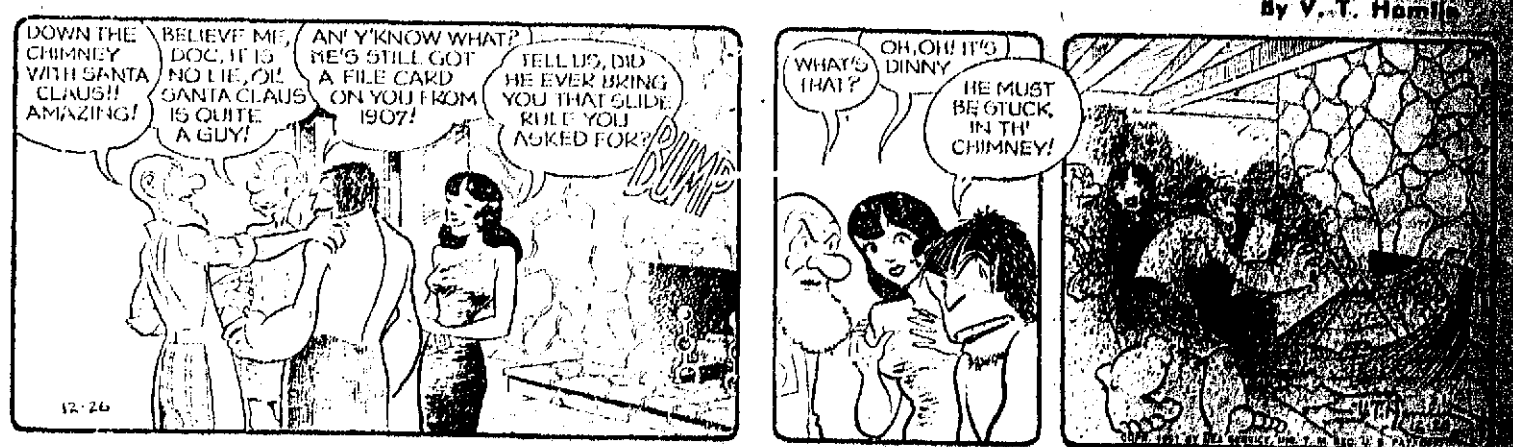
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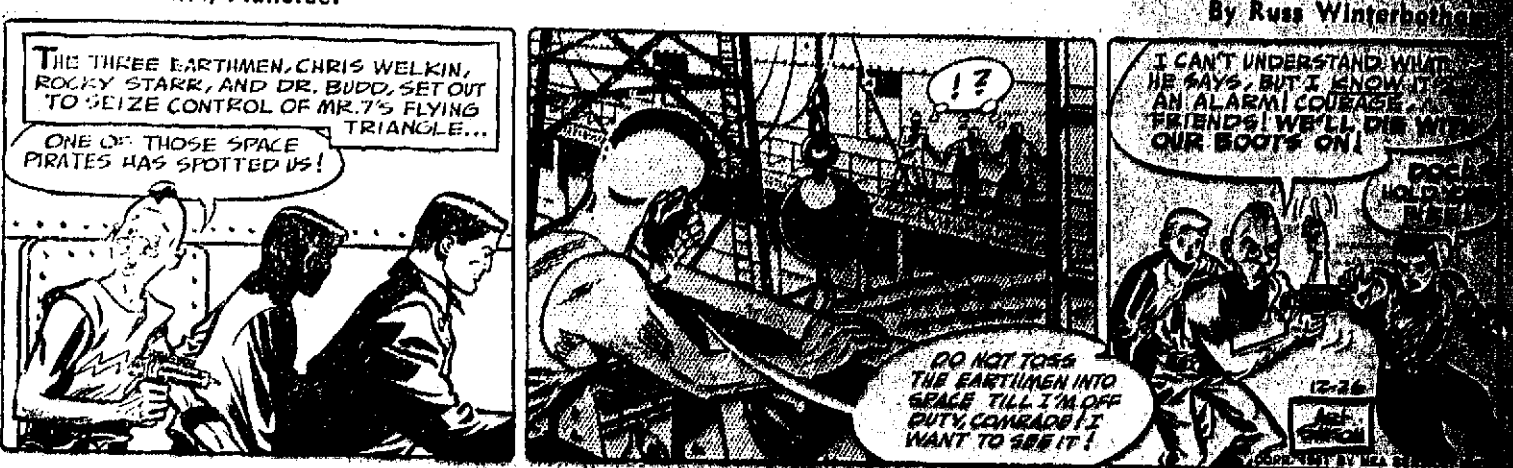
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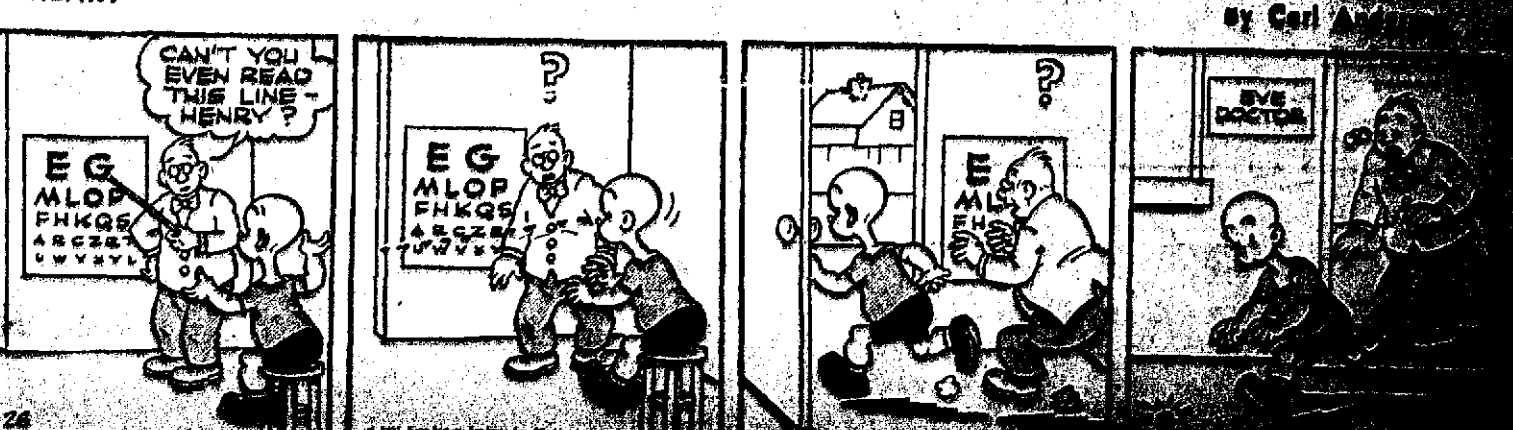
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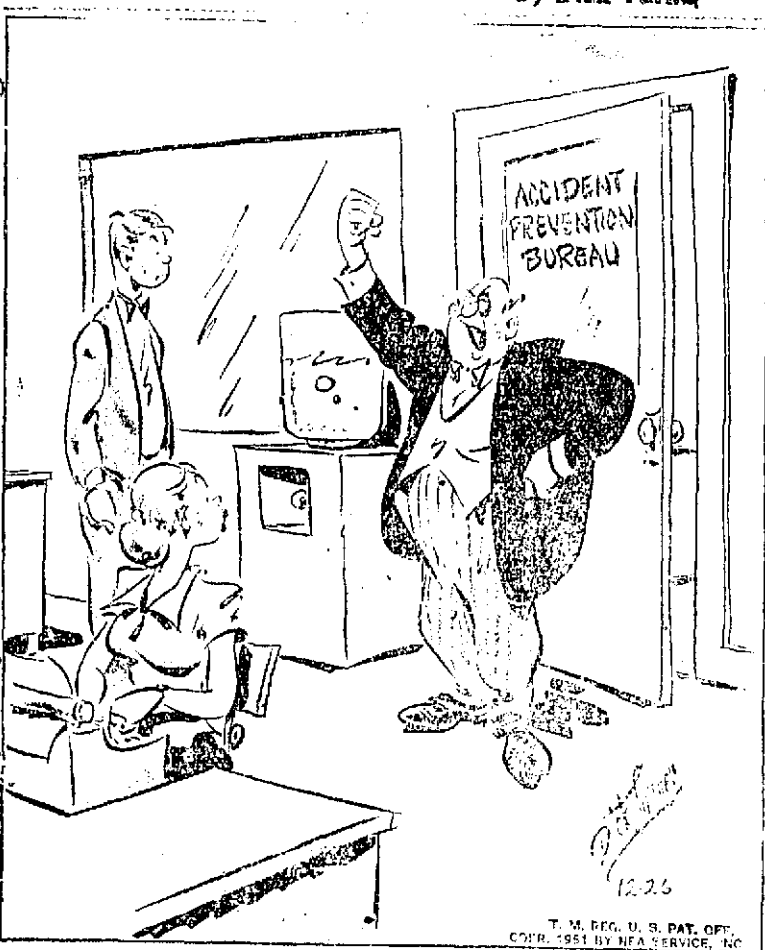


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